

Request for Bids for ONE (1):

19,500-Ib GVWR RATED SATELLITE TRUCK Bid #102518

FOR THE

TERREBONNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD CHILD NUTRITION PROGRAM

Prepared by the TPSB Purchasing Department

Release Date: September 19, 2018 Due Date: October 25, 2018

MR. PHILIP MARTIN, SUPERINTENDENT

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Notice is hereby given that the Terrebonne Parish School Board will receive sealed bids/quotes at its Purchasing Department, 340 St. Charles Street, Building #3, Houma, Louisiana, until the hour of two o'clock (2:00 PM), October 25, 2018 for a SATELLITE TRUCK. Any bid <u>received</u> after the specified time and date of 2:00 PM on October 25, 2018 <u>will be returned unopened</u>. Bids will be publicly opened and acknowledged at 2:30 pm on October 25, 2018 in the Purchasing Department, 340 St. Charles Street, Building #3, Houma, LA 70360.

Bids/quotes received prior to the time of the scheduled opening will be securely kept unopened. Bidders are cautioned to allow ample time for the transmittal of bids by mail or otherwise. Bidders are urged to secure information relative to the probable time of arrival and distribution of mail at the place where the bids are opened. Failure of the U. S. Mail, of any express carrier, or delivery service to timely deliver the bid(s) shall not be considered due cause for the scheduled time of the bid opening to be extended.

Specifications and conditions for bidding may also be obtained from the Terrebonne Parish School Board Purchasing Department, 340 St. Charles Street, Building #3, Houma, LA 70360/P. O. Box 5097, Houma, LA 70361, or by calling Curtis Constrantiche, Agent at (985) 876-7400, extension #243.

Pursuant to R.S. 38:2212 (E), the Terrebonne Parish School Board has partnered with BidSync, LLC and Vendor Registry to distribute bid solicitations, collect responses, and/or allow contractors and vendors the ability to respond through a uniform and secure electronic interactive bidding system. Terrebonne Parish School Board accepts no responsibility for any technical failures via BidSync or Vendor Registry for bid/quote/proposal(s) at any time during the bid process. Electronic responses placed on the www.bidsync.com will be accepted as specified in each bid/quote/proposal. Bidders participating in the Bidsync option need to register with BidSync to obtain a user name and password or call Vendor Support at (801) 765-9245. There is a \$100.00 fee to register and receive e-mail or fax notification of bids and includes the ability to respond electronically to Terrebonne Parish School Board bid solicitations through the BidSync website. In addition, an electronic signature must be provided to complete the electronic bid. Where applicable, and in all construction projects, an electronic bid bond is also required and must be furnished. The referenced signature and bond are not included in the \$100.00 fee and are available from third party companies. Bidders participating with the Vendor Registry option, through the TPSB website, may register, inquire, and/or submit only a quote or proposal, at no additional cost to the bidder. Bids may not be submitted through Vendor Registry.

As per R.S. 38:2252, preference is hereby given to materials, supplies and provisions, produced, manufactured, or grown in Louisiana, quality being equal to articles offered by competitors outside the state. It is the responsibility of the bidder to declare any preference eligibility for an item(s) submitted with the bid. A preference claim will not be allowed after bids are publicly opened.

The Terrebonne Parish School Board reserves the right to use any state, government, or school contract that was properly let for public bidding as a bid for any item(s) where the prices are lower than or equal to the prices submitted by any or all vendors that are pertaining to the Auxiliary Services Bid.

The Terrebonne Parish School Board accepts no responsibility for contacting any vendor, failure to contact a vendor, or a vendor not receiving information regarding this bid. This bid has been properly advertised and it is the sole responsibility of any or all Vendors to request and submit bids as advertised.

To the extent permitted by applicable state and federal laws and regulations, the Terrebonne Parish School Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids for just cause.

Mr. Roger Dale DeHart, President TERREBONNE PARISH SCHOOL BOARD

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TERREBONNE Parish School District

Bids for

19,500-Ib GVWR RATED DRY CARGO SATELLITE TRUCK

PURPOSE

The Terrebonne Parish School Board (hereafter referred to as TPSB) is a subdivision of the State of Louisiana and is subject to state statutes regarding purchases of materials and supplies. The Terrebonne Parish School Board hereby extends an invitation to bid on 1 (one) 19,500-Ib GVWR DRY CARGO SATELLITE TRUCK for the Terrebonne Parish School Board Child Nutrition Program. Sealed bids will be opened in accordance to the information listed in the "Advertisement for Bids"

In accordance with LA R. S. 38:2212 et seq., changes to specifications and bid prices cannot be made after bids are received. TPSB shall award category bid items to **the** *lowest responsible bidders <u>meeting all specifications</u>. Awards for the Dry Cargo Truck and all terms and conditions outlined in this packet, will be legally binding. The Dry Cargo Satellite Truck bid will be awarded as an all or none bid. The price of the bid shall remain firm until the delivery is complete.*

In accordance with LA R. S. 38:2212.1C(2) any manufacturer's preference in this proposal is descriptive, but not restrictive, and is used only to indicate the minimum requirements for type, grade and quality unless otherwise specified.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Release of Invitation to Bid Inquiry/Sample Deadline Date** Bid Due Date Bid Opening Date - 09-19-18 - 10-18-18 - 10-25-18 (02:00 pm) - 10-25-18 (02:30 pm)

(The School Board reserves the right to deviate from these dates.)

INQUIRIES

All inquiries must be submitted in writing by October 18, 2018 at 2:00 pm. Inquiries may be emailed to <u>purchasing@tpsd.org</u> or mailed to 340 St. Charles Street, Building #3, Houma, LA 70361.

SCOPE

Notice is hereby given that the Terrebonne Parish School Board hereby extends an invitation to bid on 1 (one) 19,500-Ib GVWR DRY CARGO SATELLITE TRUCK for the Terrebonne Parish School Board Child Nutrition Program. The bid is to include the cost of outfitting the Dry Cargo Satellite Truck as follows:

CARGO BODY:

Morgan LDX-91 or Equivalent

Tail Gate:

Thieman TVLR-30 or Equivalent

The above mentioned Dry Cargo Satellite Truck shall be delivered FOB to 340 St. Charles Street, Building #3, Houma, LA 70360, with the following requirements:

- Vehicle is to be delivered clean and freshly washed and free from any unnecessary stickers.
- Vehicle is to be delivered with a minimum of one-fourth (1/4) tank of fuel.
- Instructions for the proper operation of the vehicle(s) must be explained at the time of delivery.
- 2 Technical service manual(s) must accompany delivery of the vehicle.
- Vehicle must be in first class operating condition when delivered and must be properly serviced and test driven to ensure operation.
- Vehicle shall be delivered within 120 days of the date TPSB full Board ratifies the bid award.

INSTRUCTIONS

All bids with original signatures must be submitted in any of the following methods: hand delivered to the Purchasing Department, Terrebonne Parish School Board, 340 St. Charles Street, Building #3, Houma, LA 70360, mailed to the Terrebonne Parish School Board, P.O. Box, 5097, Houma, LA 70361, or submitted electronically using <u>www.bidsync.com</u>. All hand delivered or mailed bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope plainly marked "**DRY CARGO**

SATELLITE TRUCK BID #102518" as per specifications in Attachment A. Bids shall not be accepted by facsimile or e-mail.

All bids must be submitted on the bid forms provided; copies are permitted. Only bids typed or written in ink and properly signed by an authorized member of the firm or authorized representative will be accepted. Pencil figures, pencil signature, or photo-static copy of signature(s) on the bid forms submitted will disqualify the bid. To request electronic copies of the bid, call 985-876-7400, ext. 243 or email purchasing@tpsd.org.

Any bid submitted which contains additions, conditional or alternate bids, or irregularities which may make the proposal incomplete, indefinite, or ambiguous as to its meaning, thus requiring clarification after the specified date and time of bid opening shall be rejected.

Literature, brochures, and other related paperwork attached to the bid shall be identified with the name of the bidder and the bid item number.

Terrebonne Parish School Board is exempt from all taxes. A tax exempt form shall be furnished by the Purchasing Department to the awarded vendor upon request.

Bid Form #1:

Prospective bidders are required to state exactly what they intend to furnish, otherwise, it is fully understood that they shall furnish all items as stated on Bid Form #1. Bidder should check yes or no if their product meets each specification listed. If not, bidder should give explanation under remarks. Each specification response is necessary to ensure the proper evaluation and tabulation of this bid. If each response of the bidder is not filled in or completed, your bid may be rejected.

Signature Page:

Signature herein guarantees products to be supplied will be against defective material or workmanship and to repair or replace any damage or marring occasioned within transit. In addition, bidder guarantees that the items offered are the manufacturer's standard design in construction and that no changes or substitutions have been made in the items listed in the contract. By signing the signature page, the bidder also agrees to the Terrebonne Parish School District Standard Terms and Conditions and understands the district reserves the right to cancel the contract within thirty (30) days for unsatisfactory performance. Failure of the bidder to complete the bid form and signature page as directed will be just cause to reject the bid as "non-responsive".

Owner Disclosure Certificate:

The Terrebonne Parish School Board, shall require each bidder or bidding entity to attest or submit an attestation that the sole proprietor, partner, incorporator, director, manager, officer, or other like individual who owns at least ten percent (10%) of the bidding entity, has not been convicted of, or has not entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere (not contest) to any of the crimes or equivalent federal crimes listed in LA R. S. Ann. 38:2227. Signature herein signifies a truthful attestation by the bidding entity. Failure to complete the Owner Disclosure Certificate to its entirety will be just cause to reject the bid as "non-responsive".

<u>RETURN OF DISCOUNTS, CREDITS, AND REBATES TO TERREBONNE PARISH</u> <u>SCHOOL BOARD</u>: Allowable cost will be paid from the non-profit school food service account to the offeror/contractor net of all discounts, rebates and other applicable credits accruing to or received by the contractor or any assignee under this contract, to the extent those credits are allocable to the allowable portion of cost billed to the Terrebonne Parish School Board. The offeror agrees to fully disclose all discounts, rebates, allowances, and incentives received by the company from its suppliers. If the offeror/contractor receives a discount, rebate, allowance, or incentive from a supplier; the offeror/contractor must disclose and return to Terrebonne Parish School Board the full amount of the discount, rebate, or applicable credit that is received based on purchases made on behalf of Terrebonne Parish Child Nutrition Program. All discounts, rebates, allowances, and incentives must be returned to the Child Nutrition Program during a mutually agreed upon time frame that is beneficial to the School District.

"Cost Plus" bids will not be accepted.

<u>RECORD RETENTION:</u> The successful bidder agrees to retain all books, records, and other documents relative to this agreement for three (3) years after the final payment for audit purposes and to make said records available upon request.

The Terrebonne Parish School District, Child Nutrition Program is funded 89% with federal funds for a total of approximately \$8,091,691.00 per year.

METHOD OF AWARD

Bid Award will be to the lowest responsible and qualified bidder with consideration given to the conformity to bid specifications, lowest bid price and delivery terms. The TPSB will award this contract to the overall lowest responsive and responsible bidder based on the specified criteria described on Bid Form #1.

<u>PROTEST AWARDS</u>: To initiate a protest of an award recommendation, a business must follow these steps:

- The protest must be received in writing within 5 business days of the recommendation of the Building, Food Service, and Transportation Committee.
- The written protest should include the bid number and should clearly identify the facts believed to constitute an error in the award recommendation and the desired remedy.
- The protesting bidder should focus on identifying the following in their letter of protest:
 - Any specific Louisiana/Federal statute that was violated (such as the application of a required preference)
 - Any specific purchasing policy of the Terrebonne Parish School District that was not applied (such as conflict of interest, fraud, or ethics violation)
 - Any specific solicitation instruction that was not followed (such as the evaluation and award instructions)
- Only the information provided within the protest period will be considered in arriving at a decision. The Purchasing Agent is not required to take into consideration any material filed by any party after the protest deadline.

- The Purchasing Agent or their designee will investigate and provide a written response to the protesting party. This decision is final.
- Until issuing a final decision on a timely protest, the Purchasing Agent will not finalize an award of a contract or purchase order pursuant to a disputed solicitation. However, if there is a threat to public health, safety, or welfare, or danger of immediate and substantial harm to state property from delay in making an award, the Purchasing Agent may proceed with an award and document the justification for such action.
- A revised award recommendation, based on a protest review, does not assure that there will be a new protest period.

The Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) process is not related to the protest process and is not a reason for a protest period extension.

CONTRACT PERIOD

The Terrebonne Parish School Board intends to award this bid as a one-time bid.

CERTIFICATE OF **INSURANCE**

Upon notification, all successful bidders shall provide and maintain for the duration of the award a valid and acceptable Certificate of Insurance prior to any contract offering. Failure to provide the requested Certificate of Insurance within ten (10) days of the request may result in declaring a bid irregular, and therefore subject to rejection. Delays in meeting this requirement may result in loss of bid award and/or future bid awards. Please see the attached Insurance Requirements for Vendors, Service Contractors, or Professional Services for the acceptable minimum coverages.



STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS

SCOPE

These Standard Terms and Conditions are pertinent to each Invitation for Bid (IFB), Request for Quote (RFQ), or Request for Proposal (RFP), and each contract, and apply in like force to contracts for the purchase of personal property and contractual services.

All Invitations for Bids, Requests for Quotes, or Requests for Proposals issued by the Terrebonne Parish School Board will bind the bidder to the terms and conditions set forth herein, except as specifically qualified in a special Bid, Quote, or Request for Proposal and contract terms and conditions issued in connection with an individual Bid, Quote, or Proposal.

DEFINITIONS

As used herein, as well as in all specifications, Bids, Quotes, or Request for Proposals, awards or contracts issued by the Terrebonne Parish School Board, the following definitions shall apply, unless otherwise indicated:

Agent - Purchasing Agent of the Terrebonne Parish School Board

<u>Bid</u> - The document comprised of an invitation, instructions, and specifications to submit a Bid, Quote, or Request for Proposal for commodities or services.

Bidder - Any individual, firm, or corporation submitting a Bid, Quote, or Proposal

<u>Contract</u> - The acceptance by the Terrebonne Parish School Board of an offer by a bidder to furnish commodities or services

<u>Contractor</u> - Any individual, firm, or corporation to whom a contract is awarded as the result of a Bid, Quote, or Proposal submitted and accepted

<u>Electronic Bid</u> - A Bid, Quote, or Proposal submitted through a uniform and secure electronic interactive bidding system

<u>Bid or Proposal</u> - The offer of a bidder to furnish commodities or services in response to a Bid, Quote, or Request for Proposal (RFP)

<u>School Board</u>- The Terrebonne Parish School Board/Public School System and Sub-Agency of the State Government of Louisiana

Any alleged oral agreement or arrangement made by a bidder or contractor with any employee of the Terrebonne Parish School Board prior to the official award of this Bid, Quote, or Proposal will be disregarded.

INQUIRIES

An initial inquiry period has been firmly set for all interested bidders to perform a detailed review of the bid documents and to submit any written questions relative thereto. Without exception, all questions SHALL be in writing and received by the close of business on the Inquiry Deadline Date set forth in the Calendar of Events. Further, the school district realizes that additional questions or requests for clarification may generate from the School District's addendum responses to the inquiries received during the initial inquiry period. The school district will make every attempt to clarify questions; however, all bid documents, including but not limited to the specifications, terms, conditions, plans, etc., will stand as written and/or amended by an addendum issued as a result of the deadline to receive inquiries period.

No negotiations, decisions, or actions shall be executed by any bidder as a result of any oral discussions with any TPSD employee or consultant. TPSD shall only consider written and timely communications from bidders.

Inquiries shall be submitted in writing by an authorized representative of the bidder, clearly cross-referenced to the relevant solicitation section. Only those inquiries received by the established deadline shall be considered by the School Board. Answers to questions that

change or substantially clarify the solicitation shall be issued by addendum and provided to all perspective bidders. Inquiries concerning this solicitation may be mailed to Terrebonne Parish School District Purchasing Department, Terrebonne Parish School Board, P. O. Box 5097(70361)/340 St. Charles Street, Houma, Louisiana 70360, faxed to (985) 868-2738, or emailed to <u>E-mail: purchasing@tpsd.org</u>

SUBMISSION OF BIDS, QUOTES, AND PROPOSALS

Bids, Quotes, or Proposals must be submitted on, and in accordance with, all specifications and form(s) supplied in the Bid, Quote, or Request for Proposal package. Pursuant to RS 38:2212 (E), the Terrebonne Parish School Board has partnered with BidSync, LLC and Vendor Registry to distribute bid solicitations and/or collect responses. BidSync.com allows contractors and vendors the ability to respond with an electronic signature through a uniform and secure electronic interactive bidding system. Electronic responses placed on www.bidsvnc.com will be accepted as specified in each bid/guote/proposal. Terrebonne Parish School Board accepts no responsibility for any technical failures via BidSync for bid/quote/proposal(s) at any time during the bid process. Electronic responses placed on www.bidsync.com or the www.vendorregistry.com will be accepted as specified in each bid/quote/proposal. Bidders participating with the BidSync option need to register with BidSync to obtain a user name and password or call Vendor Support at (801) 765-9245. There is a \$100.00 fee to register and receive e-mail or fax notifications of bids and includes the ability to respond electronically, using the required electronic signature, to Terrebonne Parish School Board bid solicitations through the BidSync website. Where applicable, and in all construction projects, an electronic bid bond is also required and must be furnished. The referenced signature and bond are not included in the \$100.00 fee and are available from third party companies. Vendors participating with the vendorregistry.com option through the TPSB website may register, inquire, and/or submit only a quote or proposal that does not require an electronic signature

Telegraphic or facsimile Bids, Quotes, or Request for Proposals will not be accepted unless specifically stated in the instructions to bidders. When acceptance is so stated in the instructions, the Bid, Quote, or Proposal is to be completed on the form(s) supplied or a copy thereof, completely executed and returned, and received by the Purchasing Agent, no later than the time and date specified for receipt of the Bid, Quote, or Request for Proposal. Forms must have original signatures except when telegraphic, facsimile, or electronic digital signatures are specifically stated as acceptable. Bids must be completed on the original bid form(s) or a copy thereof, signed in ink, and/or where applicable, have a digital signature. Do not send a fax copy of the bid form(s) as the original. The form(s) submitted must have the <u>original signature(s)</u> or an electronic digital signature.

The time and date the Bids, Quotes, or Proposals are to be opened is given in each Bid, Quote, or Proposal issued. All of the Bids, Quotes, or Proposals shall be submitted electronically, or in a sealed envelope, addressed to the **Purchasing Department**, Terrebonne Parish School Board, P. O. Box 5097, Houma, Louisiana 70361, with the envelope plainly marked, **"DRY CARGO SATELLITE TRUCK BID #102518"**. Failure to properly mark Bid, Quote, or Proposal properly shall subject submittal to rejection and returned unopened. The name and complete address, including street, city, and state, of the bidder **shall appear** in the upper left hand corner of the envelope. If the Bid, Quote, or Proposal requires a licensed contractor, <u>the</u>

Louisiana Contractor's License number shall appear on the front of the envelope. A copy of same may be included with the Bid, Quote, or Proposal. The referenced information should also be included on any outer envelope used for mailing.

Bidders are cautioned to verify their Bid, Quote, or Proposal before submission. Amendments to a received Bid, Quote, or Proposal submitted prior to the specified time for opening by the Purchasing Agent will not be considered. This applies to all Bids, Quotes, or Proposals sent by mail, delivered in person, submitted electronically, as well as telegraphic, and facsimile Bids, Quotes, or Proposals. Bids, Quotes, or Proposals received prior to the time and date of the scheduled bid opening will be securely kept unopened. No Bid, Quote, or Proposal received after the scheduled time for opening will be considered. Bidders are cautioned to allow ample time for transmittal of Bids, Quotes, or Proposals by mail or otherwise. Bidders are urged to secure information relative to the probable time of arrival and distribution of mail at the place where bids are to be opened. Failure of the U.S. Mail or any carrier of delivery service to deliver the bids timely shall not be considered due cause for the scheduled time of the bid opening to be extended.

Bids, Quotes, or Proposals may be submitted for all or part of total quantities or for any or all agency requirements listed in the Bid, Quote, or Proposal, **unless otherwise specified** in the Bid, Quote, or Proposal.

If the bidder proposes to furnish any item of a foreign make or product, the word "foreign", together with the name of the originating country must be written opposite of such item on the Bid, Quote, or Proposal. All items not so designated will be considered to be of domestic origin.

Prices must be extended in decimals, not fractions; to be net, and shall have transportation and delivery charges fully prepaid by the contractor to the destination specified in the Bid, Quote, or Proposal, and subject to only cash discounts.

If there is a discrepancy between the unit price and extension, the unit price shall prevail.

All bidders declare that the Bid, Quote, or Proposal is not made in connection with any other bidder submitting a Bid, Quote, or Proposal for the same commodity or commodities, and is in all respects fair, and without collusion or fraud.

<u>All Bids, Quotes, or Proposals will be opened, publicly acknowledged, read aloud, and are subject to public inspection</u>. Bidders may be present or represented at all openings. Abstracts of Bids, Quotes, or Proposals received are not prepared for distribution by the Purchasing Department.

ALTERNATES AND SAMPLES

All specifications are minimum standards and the acceptable Bid, Quote, or Proposal samples do not supersede specifications for the quality unless the Bid, Quote, or Proposal sample is judged superior, in which case deliveries must have the same identity and quality as the accepted Bids, Quotes, or Proposal sample. <u>Unless specifically requested in the Bid, Quote, or Proposal, samples are not required.</u> These items are preapproved; however, **all bid specifications / requirements must be met** such as – packaging, cutouts, literature,

composite analysis, forms, etc.

Alternates and samples must be submitted by the inquiry and sample deadline specified in the bid documents and will be answered and/or ruled acceptable within seventy-two (72) hours.

If samples are not required, but are later determined to be needed, they shall be delivered within seven (7) days following a written request. Samples must be furnished free of charge and may be accompanied by a descriptive memorandum indicating if the bidder desires a return, provided they have not been used or made useless by tests. Award samples may be held for comparison with deliveries. Samples may be returned upon request at the bidder's risk subject to their expense.

Unless qualified by the provision "No Substitute," the use of a specification, manufacturer, brand, make, or catalog designation in specifying an item does not restrict bidder to that manufacturer, brand, make, or catalog designation identification. This is used simply to indicate the character, quality, and/or performance equivalence for the commodity desired. The commodity on which Bid, Quote, or Proposal is submitted must be of such character, quality, and/or performance equivalence that it will serve the purpose for which it is to be used equally well as that specified. In submitting a Bid, Quote, or Proposal on a commodity other than as specified, the bidder shall furnish complete data and identification with respect to the alternative commodities to the extent that such action is deemed to serve best the interest of the Terrebonne Parish School Board. If the bidder does not indicate that the commodity proposed is an alternative commodity, it will be construed to mean that the bidder proposed to furnish the exact commodity described. The Terrebonne Parish School Board's agent shall be the sole judge as to whether an alternate offered item is equal to the item(s) specified.

The inspection of all commodities and the chemical and physical testing of samples submitted with Bids, Quotes, or Proposals to determine whether or not the samples comply with specifications shall be made in the manner prescribed by the Agent.

Any item which fails, in any way, to meet the terms of the specifications is subject to rejection or to be paid for at an adjusted price basis. The decision of the Agent shall be final.

TAXES

Terrebonne Parish School Board is not subject to State or Terrebonne Parish Sales Tax. All applicable taxes including ad valorem taxes shall be the responsibility of the bidder and are to be added in to the offer. This responsibility shall be inclusive of, but not limited to, all levies, impost, duties, charges or withholding whatsoever, all applicable sales, use, personal property, franchise (howsoever calculated), and other tax whatsoever (together with any penalties and fines thereon) whether assessed, levied, or imposed by any governmental or taxing authority (whether foreign, federal, state, or local) against or upon the bidder or otherwise, with respect to any item(s) or the purchase, acquisition, ownership, delivery, leasing, possession, use, operation, control, or other disposition thereof, of the rents, receipts, or earnings arising therefrom, with respect to any resultant lease or purchase of this Bid, Quote, or Proposal.

EXCLUSION/ REJECTION OF BIDS

The Terrebonne Parish School Board, after the opening of bids, shall require each bidder or bidding entity to attest or submit an attestation that the sole proprietor, partner, incorporator, director, manager, officer, or other like individual who owns at least ten percent (10%) of the bidding entity, has not been convicted of, or has not entered a plea of guilty or nolo contendere (not contest) to any of the crimes or equivalent federal crimes listed in LA R. S. Ann. 38:2227.

In awarding bids or contracts, the Terrebonne Parish School Board shall be authorized to reject the lowest bid from a business in which any individual with ownership interest of five percent (5%) or more has been convicted of, pled guilty or nolo contendere to any state felony crime or equivalent federal crime committed in the solicitation or execution of a contract or bid under the state laws governing public contracts; professional, personal, consulting, and social services procurement; or the Louisiana Procurement Code.

Any contract between the Terrebonne Parish School Board and a person or entity entered into as a result, of fraud, bribery, corruption, or other criminal acts, for which a final conviction has been obtained, shall be null and void.

Any person whose conviction causes the nullity of a contract shall be responsible for payment of all costs, attorney fees, and damages incurred in the rebidding of the contract.

AWARD

Bid, Quote, or Proposal Awards will be to the lowest responsible and responsive qualified bidder, with consideration given to the quality of the articles to be supplied, conformity with specifications, suitability to the requirement of the Terrebonne Parish School Board, and the delivery terms.

The Terrebonne Parish School Board reserves the right to award by item, part thereof, groups of items, or parts thereof, or all items of the Bid, Quote, or Proposal, and to award contracts to one or more bidders submitting identical Bids, Quotes, or Proposals as to price; to reject any and all Bids, Quotes, or Proposals in whole or in part for just cause; to waive technical defects, irregularities and omissions, such reservations shall comply with governing laws and shall be in the best interest of the Terrebonne Parish School Board.

This agreement is non-exclusive and shall not in any way preclude departments/schools from entering into similar agreements and/or arrangements with other vendors or from acquiring similar, equal, or like goods and/or services from other entities or sources at a lower price. The TPSB reserves the right to buy any of the bid items using a State Contract, or utilize cooperative purchasing, if more favorable prices become available

The Terrebonne Parish School Board reserves the right to make awards within forty-five (45) calendar days from the date Bids, Quote, or Proposals are opened, unless otherwise specified in the Bids, Quotes, or Proposals. During this period, Bids, Quotes, or Proposals shall not be withdrawn unless the bidder distinctly states in his/her Bid, Quote, or Proposal that acceptance thereof must be made within a shorter specified time. Should an award, in whole or in part, be delayed beyond the period of forty-five (45) calendar days or an earlier date specified by the

bidder in the bid/quote/proposal, such award shall be conditioned on an agreement by the successful bidder to extend the Bid, Quote, or Proposal award for one or more thirty (30) calendar day periods.

The bidder, if requested, must be prepared to present evidence of experience, ability, service facilities, and financial standing necessary to meet satisfactorily the requirements set forth or implied in the Bid, Quote, or Proposal.

The quantities listed in the Bid, Quote, or Proposal schedule may be increased or decreased by the Purchasing Agent to meet new or amended requirements of the Terrebonne Parish School Board between the time the Bid, Quote, or Proposal is issued and the time the award is made, subject to the bidder's acceptance.

Pursuant to R.S. 38:2251; R.S. 38:2252, Preference is hereby given to materials, supplies and provisions, produced, manufactured, or grown in Louisiana, quality being equal to articles offered by competitors outside of the state. This provision shall not be applicable if restricted by Federal Law.

Cash discounts may be offered by bidder for prompt payment of bills, but such cash discounts will not be taken into consideration in determining the low bidder except in the case of tie Bids, Quotes, or Proposals and then, only provided such discount is based on payment of invoice not less than thirty (30) days after satisfactory delivery and/or receipt of invoice, whichever is later.

The Terrebonne Parish School Board reserves the right to reject the Bid, Quote, or Proposal of any bidder in default of any prior contract or guilty of misrepresentation, or of any company having as its sales agent or representative, or member of the firm, any individual in default or guilty of misrepresentation.

In accordance with LA R. S. 38:2212 et seq., changes to specifications and bid prices cannot be made after bids are received. TPSB must award bid items to **the lowest responsible bidder or bidders** <u>meeting all specifications</u>. Awards for bids and all terms and conditions outlined in this packet will be legally binding. The prices bid shall remain firm until the contract has expired.

CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE

The apparent low bidder shall furnish the certificate of insurance and any other information or documentation no later than ten (10) days after notification by Terrebonne Parish School Board of such. If the apparent low bidder does not submit the proper information or documentation as required within the ten-day period, such bidder shall be declared non-responsive, and Terrebonne Parish School Board may award the bid to the next lowest bidder, and afford the next lowest bidder ten (10) days from the date the apparent low bidder is declared non-responsive to submit the proper information and documentation as required by the bidding documents, and may continue such process until Terrebonne Parish School Board either determines the low bidder or rejects all bids. Please see the attached Insurance Requirements for Vendors, Service Contractors, or Professional Services for the acceptable minimum coverages.

CONTRACT

Each Bid, Quote, or Proposal will be received with the understanding that the **ACCEPTANCE** in writing by the school board agent of the offer to furnish any or all of the commodities or services described therein shall constitute a contract between the bidder and the Terrebonne Parish School Board, which shall bind the bidder to furnish and deliver the commodities or services at the prices given and in accordance with conditions of said accepted bid/proposal, specifications, standard bid/proposal contract terms and conditions, and the Terrebonne Parish School Board, on its part to order from such contractors, except for causes beyond reasonable control, subject to the availability of appropriate funds, and to pay for at the contract prices, all commodities or services ordered and delivered. The school board reserves the right to order up to ten (10) percent more or less, than the quantity listed in the bid/proposal or as amended in the award. The right of order percentage may exceed the reserved right of the ten percent upon agreement by the bidder.

The above referenced **ACCEPTANCE** is not an order to shop. By acceptance of a Terrebonne Parish School District purchase order or work order, the awarded vendor agrees to defend and hold harmless the Terrebonne Parish School Board from any or all claims made in connection with the completion of the goods and/or services listed on the purchase order. The vendor further agrees to waive any right of recovery for expenses incurred in defending and/or payment of any judgment imposed on the vendor.

Quantities are subject to order against contractors by school agencies not specifically mentioned, or to transfer between agencies subject to adjustment in the transportation cost, providing such transportation cost is based on separately determined delivery cost to individual agencies or as defined by law.

No alterations or variations of the terms of contract shall be valid or binding upon the Terrebonne Parish School Board unless made in writing and signed by their agent.

Contracts will remain in force for the full period specified and until all articles ordered before date of termination shall have been satisfactorily delivered and/or accepted (and thereafter until all terms and conditions have been met), unless:

- Terminated prior to expiration by satisfactory delivery against orders of entire quantities contracted for.
- Extended from written authorization of the agent and accepted by contractor to permit ordering of unordered balances or additional quantities at contracted price and in accordance with contract terms.

Contract quantities will be determined to have been ordered at expiration period according to contract terms. Contractor shall furnish the agent with a statement of all unordered balances at least ten (10) days prior to termination of contract.

It is mutually understood and agreed that the contractor shall not assign, transfer, convey, sublet, or otherwise dispose of his/her contract or his/her right, title, or interest therein, or his/her power to execute such contract to any other person, firm or corporation, without the

prior written consent of the agent.

The placing in the mail to the address given by the bidder or delivery of a notice of award to a bidder will constitute notice of acceptance of contract; **validity shall be contingent upon insurance compliance, as per bid specifications**. (Reference 44. H.) When so requested by the Agent, the contractor shall execute a formal contract with the Terrebonne Parish School Board for the complete performance specified therein.

The contract may be canceled or annulled by the Agent if the Terrebonne Parish School Board, due to budget constraints, does not appropriate funding for the contract or upon nonperformance of contract terms. Any unfulfilled deliveries against such contract may be purchased from other sources at the contractor's expense.

Failure of a contractor to deliver within the time specified or within reasonable time as interpreted by the agent, or failure to make replacement of rejected commodities when so requested (immediately or as directed by the Agent) will constitute authority for the Agent to purchase rejected on undelivered commodities in the open market. The Agent reserves the right to authorize immediate purchase in the open market against rejections or excess overdue deliveries on any contract when necessary. On all such purchases, the contractor agrees promptly to reimburse the Terrebonne Parish School Board for excess costs associated by such purchases. However, should public necessity demand it, the Terrebonne Parish School Board reserves the right to use or consume commodities delivered which are substandard in quality, subject to an adjustment in price to be determined by the Purchasing Agent.

When commodities are rejected, they must be removed by the contractor from the premises of the school board within forty-eight (48) hours after notification, unless public health and safety require immediate destruction or other disposal of such rejected delivery. Rejected items left longer than forty-eight (48) hours will be considered abandoned, and the Terrebonne Parish School Board shall have the right to dispose of them as its own property.

Orders with contractors will be placed by agencies directly with the contractor. All orders <u>shall</u> <u>be in writing and shall bear the contract number and/or purchase order number, and approval</u> <u>of the Terrebonne Parish School Board's Agent</u>. Contractors making a delivery without a formal written order does so at his/her own risk.

The Agent reserves the right to remove from the mailing list for an intermediate period for future Bids, Quote, or Proposals the name of any bidder/contractor for failure to accept the contract and/or for unsatisfactory performance of the contract.

Contractor/Bidder hereby guarantees to:

- Perform the contract in accordance with the Bid, Quote, or Proposal specifications and vendor's Bid, Quote, or Proposal under which the contract was awarded.
- Save the Terrebonne Parish School Board, it's agent, or employees harmless from liability of any claim, action, loss, damage, injury, liability, cost or expense of whatsoever kind or nature, including costs and expenses for the use of any copyrighted or not copyrighted composition, secret process, patented or unpatented invention, article or appliance furnished or used in the performance of the contract of which the contractor

is not the patentee, assignee, or licensee, but not by way of limitation, attorney's fees, and court costs arising out of bodily injury to persons, including death or damage to tangible property, arising out of or incidental to the performance of this Bid, Quote, or Proposal (including goods and services provided thereto) by or on behalf of the successful bidder, whether or not due to or caused in part by the negligence or other culpability of the indemnitee excluding only the sole negligence or culpability of the indemnitee. The following shall be deemed the indemnitee: The Terrebonne Parish School Board, its board members, agents, and employees.

- Guarantee his/her products against defective material or workmanship, and to repair, or replace any damage or marring occasioned in transit.
- Guarantee that the items offered are the manufacturer's standard design in construction, and that no changes or substitutions have been made in the items listed in this contract.
- Furnish adequate protection from damage for all work and to repair damages of any kind, for which he/she or his/her employees are responsible, to the premises or equipment, to his/her own work or to the work of other contractors.
- Pay for all permits, licenses, and fees, and to give all notices and comply with all laws, ordinances, rules, and regulations of the city, town, and parish in which the installation is to be made, and of the State of Louisiana.
- At bidder's own expense, carry proper insurance to protect the Terrebonne Parish School Board from loss. All insurance policies shall be issued by companies that have insurance licenses and authority to do business in the State of Louisiana and held in good standing by the latest information available to Louisiana Insurance Regulators or other Louisiana agencies, if any, performing such services.
- Upon request, provide Terrebonne Parish School Board's insurance agent with a certificate(s) to verify insurance coverage as required (See Attached Insurance Requirements). Such certificate must be presented before any contract acceptance by the Terrebonne Parish School Board shall be valid. Neither approval nor failure to disapprove the insurance furnished by the successful bidder to the Terrebonne Parish School Board shall relieve the successful bidder of the responsibility to provide insurance as required in this Bid, Quote, or Proposal.
- The General Contractor shall be responsible, daily, for assuring that all of the Contractors' staff and employees, and any subcontractors' staff and employees, are legally documented to work in the United States of America and the State of Louisiana while working on Terrebonne Parish School Board projects and/or properties. The General Contractor shall be responsible for assuring that there is an English speaking Supervisor on site while working on Terrebonne Parish School Board projects and/or properties.

DELIVERY

Orders are to be placed by purchase order and the vendor shall not accept orders without first obtaining a purchase order approved and signed by the School Board's Purchasing Agent. Generally purchase orders are mailed, although may be faxed or emailed. Purchase orders for various quantities and amounts will be issued as needed, throughout the term of the Contract.

Contractor should maintain an adequate supply of items in order to meet specified delivery. All shipments shall be free inside delivery and F.O.B. destination (from contractor's to customer's location) to the address specified by the customer on the purchase order, and including to those sites where multiple locations exist at the same address (examplepurchasing, child nutrition, maintenance, and warehouse, etc.). The contractor is required to make shipments to an individual office at the discretion of the customer. The contractor shall have delivery personnel on staff to deliver a minimum of 85% of all orders. Third party (UPS, DHL, etc.) deliveries shall be accepted, but paid by contractor as per the specific "ship to" requirements of the School Board and this bid.

Deliveries shall be made Monday through Friday, except on School Board holidays between the hours as follows:

Central Offices	8:00 AM-3:00 PM
High Schools	8:00 AM-2:00 PM
Jr. High Schools	8:00 AM-2:00 PM
Middle Schools	8:00 AM-2:30 PM
Elementary Schools	8:00 AM-2:30 PM
Warehouse	8:00 AM-2:30 PM

There are approximately forty-eight (48) "ship to" destinations or delivery sites throughout the Parish of Terrebonne comprising of the central offices, departments, and schools (hereafter may be referred to as "Agencies"). During the design phase of Southdown Elementary, 1124 St. Charles Street, there will be alternate delivery sites.

The Contractor shall provide confirmations of order receipts and credit returns. The Contractor shall have a process in place to notify the School Board of any discrepancies related to the order, i.e. pricing, incorrect stock numbers, unit of measures, etc., within eight (8) business hours of receipt of order, in order to provide timely resolutions to the Agency. The Contractor shall also have a process in place where the School Board may opt to cancel an order in its entirety, or any portion thereof that is not already filled or delivered. This process is normally determined at the time of establishing the account. The Contractor shall include a packing slip, which will be used for receiving delivered items. All items not included in the order shall be noted on this packing slip. The packing slip shall include, but not necessarily limited to, the following:

- The School Board's assigned purchase order number
- Ship-to Address, contact name and (where applicable) telephone number
- Bill to address
- Date of order
- Contract number
- Catalog stock number, item description, net unit cost, unit of measure

- Quantity ordered, quantity shipped, quantity on back-order
- Extended and total dollar amounts
- The School Board's account number
- The Contractor's assigned sales order number

<u>The Contractor shall provide a packing slip, bill of lading, or "proof of delivery</u>", which will be signed by the customer receiving the delivery. This document must list the School Board's assigned purchase order number, the number of packages received, the delivery address, the contact person, and (where applicable) the telephone number. This is the minimal information needed to ensure the proper matching of the document with the packing slip, the School Board's purchase order number, and the invoice number. This document will not solely serve as an "Acceptance of Order".

It shall be understood and agreed that any or all commodities or services furnished comply fully with all applicable federal and state laws and regulations.

Any equipment delivered must be standard new equipment and latest model, except as otherwise stated in the specifications. Where any, part, or normal appurtenances of equipment is not described, it shall be understood that all the equipment and appurtenances which are usually provided in the manufacturer's stock model shall be furnished.

Equipment, materials, and supplies delivered must be new and unused items, except as otherwise specifically state in Bid, Quote, or Proposal.

Delivery must be made as ordered and in accordance with Bid, Quote, or Proposal. If no delivery instructions appear on the order, it will be interpreted to mean prompt delivery and **if shipped by freight shall be FOB tailgate delivery, unless otherwise specified.** The decision of the Agent as to reasonable compliance with delivery terms shall be final. Burden of proof of delay in receipt of order shall rest with the contractor.

Any request for extension of time of delivery from that specified must be approved by the Agent, such extension applying only to the particular item or shipment.

Commodities shall be securely and properly packed for shipment according to accepted standard commercial practice, without extra charge for packing cases, bailing, sacks, or pallets. Shipping containers are to remain the property of the school board unless otherwise stated in the Bid, Quote, or Proposal.

The contractor shall notify the school site or facility within 48 hours of any item on an order that cannot be filled within the specified three (3) day delivery period. The balance of the order shall not be held due to the back-order item(s).

Only brands and product numbers stated in the <u>catalog award</u> are approved for delivery under this contract. Any substitutions shall receive prior written approval from the School Board's Purchasing Agent.

The contractor shall notify the School Board's Purchasing Agent of any eligible item that is discontinued by a manufacturer. This notification must be substantiated by written notice from

the applicable manufacturer. A request for a replacement item of comparable value and quality shall be sent to the School Board's Purchasing Agent for review/approval within 14 days after notification.

The Contractor shall arrange for the return of all defective, outdated, and/or damaged products, and/or duplicate shipments received by the School Board within seven (7) days of notification. A credit, if applicable, is expected within a reasonable amount of time. The contractor shall not charge to restock or charge a pickup fee for such returns. No more than five (5) returns are permissible per 100 orders delivered per month.

The Contractor shall arrange for the return of products ordered in error. The School Board may be responsible for shipping charges and a restocking fee not to exceed 15% of the actual sale price of the item, if applicable. Restocking charges will only be applicable for items the contractor does not normally carry in their inventory and must order from a special source. Returned products must not have been used, remain within the manufacturer's original packaging container, and include, in good condition, all manufacturer's packaging and instructions.

All returns described above may be executed within seven (7) days of receiving an order. A Return authorization shall be issued by the contractor within seven (7) days of notification by the School Board. The contractor shall promptly credit the invoice and issue a credit notification to the school board.

INVOICING AND PAYMENT

Invoices submitted by the contractor to the Terrebonne Parish School Board shall refer to the delivery ticket number, delivery date, purchase order, and/or release number, quantity, unit price, and delivery point. A separate invoice for each order delivered and accepted shall be submitted by the contractor to the Terrebonne Parish School Board at P.O. Box 5097, Houma, LA 70361.

The Contractor shall submit the invoice in accordance with the "bill to" instructions on the Terrebonne Parish School Board's order. The invoice shall include, but not limited to, the following:

- The School Board's assigned purchase order/ work order number
- Ship-to Address, contact name and (where applicable) telephone number
- Bill to address
- Date of order
- Contract number
- Quantity ordered, quantity shipped, quantity on back-order, service provided
- Extended and total dollar amounts
- The School Board's account number

Payment is net 30 from receipt of an approved and correct invoice. The School District pays by invoice only, not by statement. Invoices not referencing a valid purchase order/ or work order number and proof of delivery will be returned unpaid.

Where there is a question of non-performance, payment in whole or in part may be withheld. In the event a discount is involved, the withholding of payment as provided herein shall not deprive the Terrebonne Parish School Board from taking such discount.

All charges against a contractor shall be deducted from current obligations that are due or may become due. In the event that collection is not made in this manner, the contractors shall pay the Terrebonne Parish School Board, on demand, the amount of such charges. All remittances shall be made payable to the Terrebonne Parish School Board.

Payment for the unused portion of an inferior delivery may be made by the Terrebonne Parish School Board on an adjusted price basis, as determined by the agent.

SAVING CLAUSE

It is understood and agreed that the contractor shall not be held liable for any loss resulting if the fulfillment of the terms of the contract, shall be delayed or prevented by wars, acts of public enemies, strikes, fire, floods, acts of God, or any other acts not within the control of the contractor and which by exercise or reasonable diligence.

Should the performance of any contract be delayed or prevented as set forth in the previous paragraph, the contractor agrees to give immediate written notice and explanations of the cause and probable duration of any such delay.

It shall be a requirement of the Terrebonne Parish School Board that any contracted vendor currently employing a person convicted of a sex offense as defined in Louisiana R.S. 15:541 when the victim is under the age of thirteen years shall not permit same employee to enter any Terrebonne Parish School Board property for the purpose of fulfilling work order or delivery of active contract. Violation of this provision shall be cause for immediate termination and/or cancelation of any contract or agreement with contracted vendor.

DEVIATION/ALTERNATIVE BID/PROPOSAL CLAUSE

Any deviation from the specifications listed in the Bid, Quote, or Proposal must be noted in detail and submitted in writing as specified or on a separate document with the Bid, Quote, or Proposal. It must include specific reasons as to why the deviation(s) will render equivalent or better performance and reliability. The deviation(s) must meet or exceed the details of the respective specifications(s). The absence of this specification deviation information will hold the bidder strictly accountable to the specifications as written. Failure to submit documentation of specification deviation shall be grounds for rejection of the item(s) when offered for delivery. A Terrebonne Parish School Board evaluation committee will review all deviations or alternates and reserves the right to be the sole authority for acceptance or rejection of deviations and/or alternate Bid, Quote, or Proposal.

BIDS/PROPOSAL COMPLETION

Only paper Bids, Quotes, or Proposals written in ink or typed, and properly signed by a member of the firm or duly authorized representative will be accepted. Pencil figures, signatures, or

photo copies of signatures on the Bid, Quote, or Proposal form submitted will disqualify the bidder. Do not submit a photo copy as an original Bid, Quote, or Proposal unless otherwise specified. Electronic digital signatures will be accepted only if specified.

ERASURES

The Bid, Quote, or Proposal submitted must not contain any erasures or corrections unless each correction is initialed by the person or persons signing the Bid, Quote, or Proposal in the margin immediately opposite the correction.

WARRANTIES

If specific warranties on equipment, vehicles, supplies, and materials specified are not required, they are to be standard manufactures and/or dealer's warranties. If full warranty is specified, it shall include parts, labor, and all other associated cost. Warranty shall be for all components of the related item, i.e. warranty on computer system shall include all components including, but not limited to, base processing unit, keyboard, mouse, monitor, speakers, drives, etc. With regard to a lease, to the extent permitted by law and contract, the successful bidder will assign and pass through without representation to Terrebonne Parish School Board the benefits of warranties, if any, of the supplier of the items for the duration of any lease in effect and there exist with no event of default thereof.

BID/QUOTE/PROPOSAL RESPONSE

In the event you cannot submit a response on the requirements, please return the request for Bid, Quote, or Proposal form with an explanation as to why you are unable to submit an offer. Also, please state whether you would like to receive future Bid, Quote, or Proposal bid packets, and include the correct address that will receive the Bid, Quote, or Proposal bid packet.

VENUE AND JURISDICTION FOR LITIGATION

Bidders and the Terrebonne Parish School Board do consent to and accept the venue and jurisdiction of the 32nd Judicial District, Parish of Terrebonne, State of Louisiana in the event of any dispute or lawsuit arising as a result of this request for bids or proposals and any contract entered into or between bidder and Terrebonne Parish School Board, as a result thereof.

INELIGIBILITY NOTIFICATION

Bidders must advise the agent if he/she or his/her principles is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in any transactions resulting from the award of this Bid, Quote, or Proposal by any federal department or agency.

REQUIRED CONTRACT PROVISIONS FROM APPENDIX II OF 2 CFR PART 200

Equal Employment Opportunity. Except as otherwise provided under 41 CFR Part 60, all contracts that meet the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" in 41 CFR Part

60-1.3 must include the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 CFR 60-1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity" (30 FR 12319, 12935, 3 CFR Part, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," and implementing regulations at 41 CFR part 60, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor" (Appendix II of 2 CFR Part 200E).

The vendor shall comply with the Copeland "Anti-Kickback" Act (40 U.S.C. 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, "Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States"). The Act provides that each contractor or subrecipient must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled. The non-Federal entity must report all suspected or reported violations to the Federal awarding agency (Appendix II of 2 CFR Part 200 (D).

Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. 3701-3708). Where applicable, all contracts awarded by the non-Federal entity in excess of \$100,000 that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers must include a provision for compliance with 40 U.S.C. 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 U.S.C. 3702 of the Act, each contractor must be required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of 40 hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of 40 hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 U.S.C. 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence (Appendix II of 2 CFR Part 200(I).

Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at \$150,000, which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 U.S.C. 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where contractors violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate (Appendix II of 2 CFR Part 200(A).

All contracts in excess of \$10,000 must address termination for cause and for convenience by the non-Federal entity including the manner by which it will be effected and the basis for settlement (Appendix II of 2 CFR Part 200(B).

Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387), as amended—Contracts and subgrants of amounts in excess of \$150,000 must contain a provision that requires the non-Federal award to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 7401-7671q) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) (Appendix II of 2 CFR Part 200(G).

Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689)—A contract award (see 2

CFR 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the governmentwide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR part 1986 Comp., p. 189) and 12689 (3 CFR part 1989 Comp., p. 235), "Debarment and Suspension." SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549 (Appendix II of 2 CFR Part 200(H)..

Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 U.S.C. 1352)—Contractors that apply or bid for an award exceeding \$100,000 must file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 U.S.C. 1352. Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-Federal award (Appendix II of 2 CFR Part 200(I).

Required Contract Provisions from 2 CFR Part 200

Procurement of recovered materials- A non-Federal entity that is a state agency or agency of a political subdivision of a state and its contractors must comply with section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. The requirements of Section 6002 include procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item **exceeds \$10,000** or the value of the quantity acquired by the preceding fiscal year exceeded \$10,000; procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery; and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines (2 CFR Part 200.322)

The vendor agrees to take all necessary affirmative steps to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible (2 CFR Part 200.321)

Other Contract Provisions

The vendor shall comply with the following civil rights laws, as amended: Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972; Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975; Title 7 CFR Parts 15, 15a, and 15b; the Americans with Disabilities Act; and FNS Instruction 113-1, *Civil Rights Compliance and Enforcement in School Nutrition Programs*.

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Attachment A

Submittal of Bid:

All envelopes with bid submittals must be delivered to the Terrebonne Parish School Board Purchasing Department, 340 St. Charles Street, Building #3, Houma, Louisiana 70360 or Post Office Box 5097, Houma, Louisiana 70361 no later than the due date and time of 2:00 P.M. on October 25, 2018. Any bid received after the specified date and time will not be accepted and will be returned unopened.

Caution should be taken to assure your bid submittal is properly mailed or delivered and addressed as per bid specifications; <u>any bid submitted that is not properly</u> <u>addressed for submittal will be declared non-responsive and rejected.</u>

All outer envelopes including Fed Ex or UPS deliveries **MUST** state the Bid Name as indicated below, Dry Cargo Satellite Truck Bid #102518.

The bid shall be addressed following the example below:

Name or Firm Physical or Mailing Address City, State Zip

> Purchasing Department Terrebonne Parish School Board P. O. Box 5097 Houma, LA 70361

Dry Cargo Satellite Truck Bid #102518

Attachment B

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR VENDORS, SERVICE CONTRACTORS, OR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

The required insurance shall be approved by the Terrebonne Parish School Board before any site work may commence.

I. Workers Compensation

- A. Limit of Liability
 - 1. Coverage A Statutory requirements
 - 2. Coverage B \$ 500,000 Employer's liability
- B. Endorsements
 - 1. USL&H (if any)
 - 2. Waiver of Subrogation in favor of the Terrebonne Parish School Board
 - 3. 30 day notice of cancellation

II. Comprehensive General Liability

- A. Limits of Liability
 - 1. Premises / Operations
 - \$ 1,000,000 per occurrence (BI & PD)
 - 2. Products / Completed Operations
 - \$ 1,000,000 per Occurrence (BI & PD)
 - 3. General Policy Aggregate (if applicable)
 - \$ 2,000,000
 - 4. Personal Injury
 - \$ 1,000,000 per occurrence
- B. Endorsements
 - 1. Explosion, collapse and underground (if applicable)
 - 2. Contractual
 - 3. Independent contractors
 - 4. Medical payments
 - 5. Broad from CGL Endorsement
 - 6. Terrebonne Parish School Board named as "Additional Insured"
 - 7. Waiver of Subrogation in favor or the Terrebonne Parish School Board
 - 8. Pollution exclusion removed for "Sudden & Accidental"
 - (Fuel, oil, lube, and chemical vendors) 9. 30 day Notice of Cancellation

III. Automobile Liability

- A. Limit of Liability
 - 1. Combined single limit \$1,000,000 each accident
- B. Endorsements
 - 1. Hired automobile liability
 - 2. Non-ownership liability
 - 3. Terrebonne Parish School Board named as "Additional Insured"
 - 4. Waiver of Subrogation in favor of the Terrebonne Parish School Board
 - 5. 30 day notice of cancellation

IV. Other Requirements

- A. Suitable coverage may be required if special conditions or exposure exist.
 - (i.e., Marine coverage, Property exposures)

B. Current insurance certificate shall be on file with the Terrebonne Parish School Board and accepted by the Risk Manager.

C. All policies are required to be on occurrence form basis, except those generally written <u>ONLY</u> on claims-made forms. (i.e., Professional, Errors & Omissions, etc.).

Dry Cargo Truck Bid Checklist October 25, 2018

 Envelope labeled as specified in Attachment A
 Bid Form #1 with all pages completed
 Signature Page
 Owner Disclosure Certificate (1 per Vendor)
 Signed Addenda (if applicable)

It is our preference that the following forms be signed and included with each bid submittal. All forms (below) not included with the bid may be submitted within seventy-two (72) hours of the bid opening. As per Federal guidelines, these forms are **required** on all bids.

 Certification Regarding Debarment (1 per Vendor)
 Certification Regarding Lobbying (1 per Vendor)
 Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (1 per Vendor)
 Certificate of Independent Price Discrimination (1 per Vendor)

BID FORM #1– Page 1 DRY CARGO TRUCK

Minimum Specifications: Cab & Chassis	Yes	No	Comment # (if applicable)
2019 Year Model Conventional Cab (F-550, Ram 5500 or equivalent)			
White in Color			
GVWR: 19,500-lb (Payload Upgrade Package)			
Front Axle: 7,250-lb			
Rear Axle: 13,500-lb			
Extra Heavy Service Suspension Package			
Cab to Axle Length 120" to fit 16' Cargo Body			
Diesel Engine: 6.7 L Cummings Turbo Diesel/Power Stroke			
Transmission: 6 speed Automatic with PTO			
Rear Axle Ratio: 4.88			
Drivetrain: 4x2			
12 Volt Starter			
Batteries: Two (2) 730 amp			
Alternator: Dual 220 amp Alternators (minimum)			
B20 Biodiesel Compatibility			
Configurable Daytime Running Lamps			
Engine Oil Cooler			
Engine Cooling: Heavy Duty			
Air Conditioning			
Rear Back-up Camera			
Brakes: Power 4-wheel Antilock disc (ABS)			

BID FORM #1– Page 2 DRY CARGO TRUCK

Minimum Specifications: Cab & Chassis - Continued Yes No **Comment** # (*if applicable*) Parking Brake _ _ **Integral Power Steering** _ __ Horn - -Tow Hooks ____ **Emergency Flashers** _ __ Trailer Tow Package (7 pin wiring) _____ Steps on Both Sides of Cab _ ____ **Emergency Flashers** _ _ Cab Lights: Five (5) ____ Head Lights: Halogen Automatic _ _ Turn Signals: Standard _ __ Tail Lights: Two (2) with integral stop & turn _ ____ Reverse Light: Two (2) _ __ Back up Alarm ____ **Circuit Protectors** _ ___ Tires: 225/70Rx19.5G BSW 2 in Front 4 in Rear _ __ Wheels: 19.5 x 6 inch Steel - -Mirrors: Manually Telescoping Trailer Tow With 2 Way Fold _ __ Windshield Wipers: Variable/Intermittent _____ Cab: Standard Trim _ ___ Cab Interior: Vinyl Floor Covering - No Carpet ____ ____

BID FORM #1– Page 3 DRY CARGO TRUCK

Minimum Specifications: Cab & Chassis - Continued	Yes	No	Comment # (if applicable)
Sun Visors: Left and Right			
Factory Installed Heater and Defroster			
Seats in Vinyl: Mid Back Driver's with 2 Person Passenger Seat Belts			
Radio: AM and FM with 2 Speakers			
Instrument Panel to Include:			
Air Cleaner Restriction Indicator mounted on dash			
Speedometer MPH/KMH with Odometer			
Warning Lights:			
Low Oil Pressure			
Low Coolant Level			
High Coolant Temperature			
Fuel Warning Light			
Water in Fuel Warning Light			
Gauges:			
Voltmeter or Ampmeter			
Oil Pressure			
Fuel			
Tachometer			
2 Service Manuals			
4 Sets of Keys			

BID FORM #1– Page 4 DRY CARGO TRUCK

	Specifications for Dry Cargo Box odel LDX-91 or equal as follows:)	Yes	No	Comment (<i>if applicable</i>)
Sub frame:	3" I-Beam Cross members on 16" Centers			
Floor:	Pine Wood Flooring			
Rear Door:	Overhead Roll-up Door 88" wide x 85" High opening			
Rear Frame	e: Header Design with Rain Channel; Painted (white) Galvanized Rear Frame; Curbside and Roadside Grab Handles.			
Lighting:	LED Exterior Lights to FMVSS108 Specifications			
Side Post:	Steel Z-Posts on 16" Centers			
Skins-Front Sides:	.040 Aluminum pre-painted white			
Scuff:	Front scuff for 3" wall with anti-skid hat floor			
Interior Ties:	E-Track two rows on front and side walls 24" and 48" Settings.			
Front End:	.040" White Aluminum Skins; "R2" Integrated Corner Radius; 2" Extruded Aluminum Vertical Radii; 2" Extruded Aluminum Top Radius with Cast Aluminum Corners.			
Interior Liner:	3/8" Plywood x Full Height with 10 1/2" Apitong Scuff (Sides 1/2" Plywood x Full Height with 10 1/2" Apitong Scuff on Front	s) 		
Roof:	.032 Aluminum Sheet with Anti-Snag, Low Profile Roof Bows on 24" centers			
Interior Lig	ht: 1 Additional Dome Light on same switch			

BID FORM #1– Page 5 DRY CARGO TRUCK

Minimum Specification (Model TVL-30 or equi	ons for Thieman Rail Lift Gate al as follows:)	Yes	No	Comment # (if applicable)
Capacity:	3,000 lbs.			
Platform:	90" X 42" D + 5"			
Control:	Molded toggle switch control			
Platform Surface:	Steel skid resistant safety plate			
Power Unit:	Electric hydraulic, 12 volt DC motor, enclosed			
Lift Mechanism:	4 x 4 Leaf chain with case hardened sheaves			
Travel Position:	Stores in vertical position at rear of vehicle			
<u>General Requirement</u>	ts for Awarded Vendor:	Yes	No	Comment # (if applicable)
Vehicle will be deliver unnecessary stickers.	ed clean and freshly washed and free from any			
Vehicle will be deliver	ed with a minimum of a quarter tank of fuel			
Instructions for the protote the time of delivery	per operation of the vehicle will be explained at			
Technical service man	ual(s) will accompany delivery of the vehicle			
	class operating condition when delivered and ced and test driven to ensure operation			
Warranty Requireme	ent for Awarded Vendor:			
standard warranty on the	imum twenty-four (36) month manufacturer's he base vehicle, thirty-six (36) months he engines and power train.			
Bidder shall be the sole chassis, and all parts.	e point of responsibility of warranties on body,			
Delivery				
Guaranteed Delivery	: FOB to 340 Saint Charles St., Houma, LA			

Within 120 Days from date of order

BID FORM #1– Page 6 DRY CARGO TRUCK

CAB & CHASSIS:

Cab & Chassis Price:		\$	
	Written	Figures	
Chassis Make & Model			
	CARGO BODY:		
Body Price:		\$	
	Written	Figures	
Body Make: & Model			
Installer:	Name of Authorized Distributo	n Installing Dady	
	Name of Authorized Distributo	or instaining body	
	LIFT GATE:		
Lift Gate			
Price:			
	Written	Figures	
Lift Gate Make & Model			
Installer of			
Lift Gate:			
	Name of Authorized Distributo	or Installing Lift Gate	
	TOTAL BID PRIC		
	(including all option	s)	

Written

Figures

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BID MUST BE FILLED OUT IN INK OR TYPEWRITTEN DO NOT USE PENCIL

Note: The Terrebonne Parish School Board is presently exempt from State and Parish Sales Tax. Do not include any sales tax in the bid price.

Proposer's Statement

, states that he/she is
(a partner of the firm, officer of the
corporation, or individual making the foregoing proposal) that said proposal is genuine and not
collusive or sham; that said proposer has not colluded, conspired, connived or agreed, directly
or indirectly, with any proposer or person to put in a sham bid or to refrain from bidding,
collusion, or communication or conference, with any person, to fix the proposal price or affiant
or any other proposer, or to fix any overhead, profit or cost element, or that of any other
proposer, or to secure any advantage against any person interested in the proposed contract,
and that all statements contained in the said bid or proposal are true.

Respectfully Submitted,

(Authorized Signature)

(Type or print Name of Authorized Signer)

Date: _____

Firm: _____

Phone: _____

Address_____

Fax No.: _____



OWNER DISCLOSURE CERTIFICATE

COMPANY NAME:		
ADDRESS:		
_		
TELEPHONE:		
CELL PHONE:		
FAX NUMBER:		
EMAIL:		
FED. TAX ID#		
The Company Biddir	ng is:	
AManufactu	urerDealer	Representative
BCorporatio	onPartnership	Sole Owner
	y individuals or companies th 2.	nat own 10% or more stock:
If partnership, list pri	ncipal partners:	
3	4.	
Owner Sig	nature:	
Title:		

Type or Print Signature and Title



October 25, 2018

To: Bidders – Auxiliary Supplies and Services Bid

From: Purchasing Department, Terrebonne Parish School District

If you are **not bidding** on the current bid, but would like to remain on our bid list, please complete and return this form. Failure to return this form could result in your name being removed from our bid list.

Company Name:			
1 5	(Please Print or Type)		
Address:			
	(Street/P.O. Box)		
	(City)	(State)	(Zip Code)
E-Mail Address:			
Representative's Signature:			
Printed Name of Representative's Signature:			

Certificate of Independent Price Determination

Both the school food authority and the Vendor (offeror) shall execute this Certificate of Independent Price Determination.

(Name of Vendor)

<u>Terrebonne Parish School District</u> (Name of School Food Authority)

- (A) By submission of this offer, the offeror certifies and in the case of a joint offer, each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, that in connection with this procurement:
 - (1) The prices in this offer have been arrived at independently, without consultation, communication or agreement, for the purpose of restricting competition, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other offeror or with any competitor;
 - (2) Unless otherwise required by law, the prices which have been quoted in this offer have not been knowingly disclosed by the offeror and will not knowingly be disclosed by the offeror prior to opening in the case of an advertised procurement, or prior to award in the case of a negotiated procurement, directly or indirectly to any other offeror or to any competitor; and
 - (3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the offeror to induce any person or firm to submit or not to submit, an offer for the purpose of restricting competition.
- (B) Each person signing this offer on behalf of the Vendor certifies that:
 - (1) He or she is the person in the offeror's organization responsible within the organization for the decision as to the prices being offered herein and has not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to (A)(1) through (A)(3) above; or
 - (2) He or she is not the person in the offeror's organization responsible within the organization for the decision as to the prices being offered herein, but that he or she has been authorized in writing to act as agent for the persons responsible for such decision in certifying that such persons have not participated and will not participate, in any action contrary to (A)(1) through (A)(3) above, and as their agent does hereby so certify; and he or she has not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to (A)(1) through (A)(1) through (A)(3) above.

To the best of my knowledge, this Vendor, its affiliates, subsidiaries, officers, directors and employees are not currently under investigation by any governmental agency and have not in the last three years been convicted or found liable for any act prohibited by State or Federal law in any jurisdiction, involving conspiracy or collusion with respect to bidding on any public contract, except as follows:

Signature of Vendor's Authorized Representative Title

Date

(Print Name) In accepting this offer, the SFA certifies that no representative of the SFA has taken any action which may have jeopardized the independence of the offer referred to above.

Monica Walther, MS, RD, LDN Signature of School Food Authority's Authorized Representative

<u>Supervisor</u> Title

Date

Note: Accepting a bidder's offer does not constitute award of the contract.

Complete this	form to	disclose	lobbying	activities	pursuant t	to 31 U.S.C. 1352

	(See attached for pu		osure)			
1. Type of Federal Action:	2. Status of Fede	eral Action:	3. Report Type:			
(enter letter of choice)	(enter letter o		a. initial filing			
a contract		,	b. material change			
a. bid/offer		plication	For material change only:			
c. cooperative agreement	b. initial awar	d				
	c. post-award		Year quarter			
d. loan	•• P •• • •• •• ••		Date of last report			
e. loan guarantee						
f. loan insurance						
4. Name and Address of Reporting E	Intity:	5. If Reportin	g Entity in No. 4 is Subawardee, Enter			
		Name and Address of Prime:				
PrimeSubawarde						
Tier, <i>if known</i> :						
Congressional District, if known:		Congressional District, if known:				
6. Federal Department/Agency:		6. Federal Pro	ogram Name/Description:			
		CFDA Number, <i>if applicable</i> :				
8. Federal Action Number, <i>if known</i> :						
o. reueral Action Number, if known:		9. Award Amount, if known:				
		\$				
10. a. Name and Address of Lobbying	g Registrant	b. Individuals	Performing Services (including address if			
(if individual, last name, first nam	ne, MI):	different from No. 10a)				
	. ,	(last name, first name, MI):				
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		a. retainer b. one-time fee				
12. Form of Payment (check all that a	apply):	c. commission d. contingent fee				
a. cash		0. 0011111				
		e. deferred				
b. in-kind; specify: nature						
		f. other; specify:				
14. Brief Description of Services Performe	ed or to be Performed	and Date(s) of Se	rvice, including officer(s), employee(s),			
or Member(s) contacted, for Payment						
	ttach Continuation She		ecessary)			
15. Continuation Sheet(s) SF-LLL-A attac	ched:Yes	8 No				
16. Information requested through this for						
	Title 31 U.S.C. Section 1352. This Disclosure of Lobbying					
Activities is a material representation of fact upon which						
reliance was placed by the tier above when this transaction		Print Name:				
was made or entered into. This disclosure is required						
pursuant to 31 U.S.C. 1352. This information will be reported		Title:				
to the Congress semi-annually and will be available for public						
inspection. Any person who fails to file the required		Telephone No •	Date:			
disclosure shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than			Date			
\$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each	ch such failure.					
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		Standard Form - LLL (Rev. 7-97)				

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DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES CONTINUATION SHEET

Reporting Entity:	Page	of

Authorized for Local Reproduction Standard Form – LLL-A

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF SF-LLL, DISCLOSURE OF LOBBYING ACTIVITIES

This disclosure form shall be completed by the reporting entity, whether subawardee or prime Federal recipient, at the initiation or receipt of a covered Federal action, or a material change to a previous filing, pursuant to title 31 U.S.C. section 1352. The filing of a form is required for each payment or agreement to make payment to any lobbying entity for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with a covered Federal action. Complete all items that apply for both the initial filing and material change report. Refer to the implementing guidance published by the Office of Management and Budget for additional information.

- 1. Identify the type of covered Federal action for which lobbying activity is and/or has been secured to influence the outcome of a covered Federal action.
- 2. Identify the status of the covered Federal action.
- 3. Identify the appropriate classification of this report. If this is a followup report caused by a material change to the information previously reported, enter the year and quarter in which the change occurred. Enter the date of the last previously submitted report by this reporting entity for this covered Federal action.
- 4. Enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the reporting entity. Include Congressional District, if known. Check the appropriate classification of the reporting entity that designates if it is, or expects to be, a prime or subaward recipient. Identify the tier of the subawardee, e.g., the first subawardee of the prime is the 1st tier. Subawards include but are not limited to subcontracts, subgrants and contract awards under grants.
- 5. If the organization filing the report in item 4 checks "Subawardee," then enter the full name, address, city, State and zip code of the prime Federal recipient. Include Congressional District, if known.
- 6. Enter the name of the federal agency making the award or loan commitment. Include at least one organizational level below agency name, if known. For example, Department of Transportation, United States Coast Guard.
- 7. Enter the Federal program name or description for the covered Federal action (item 1). If known, enter the full Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) number for grants, cooperative agreements, loans, and loan commitments.
- 8. Enter the most appropriate Federal identifying number available for the Federal action identified in item 1 (e.g., Request for Proposal (RFP) number; Invitations for Bid (IFB) number; grant announcement number; contract, grant, or loan award number; application/proposal control number assigned by the Federal agency). Include prefixes, e.g., "RFP-DE-90-001."
- 9. For a covered Federal action where there has been an award or loan commitment by the Federal agency, enter the Federal amount of the award/loan commitment for the prime entity identified in item 4 or 5.
- 10. (a) Enter the full name, address, city, state and zip code of the lobbying entity engaged by the reporting entity identified in item 4 to influence the covered Federal action.

(b) Enter the full names of the individual(s) performing services, and include full address if different from 10(a). Enter Last Name, First Name, and Middle Initial (MI).

- 11. Enter the amount of compensation paid or reasonably expected to be paid by the reporting entity (item 4) to the lobbying entity (item 10). Indicate whether the payment has been made (actual) or will be made (planned). Check all boxes that apply. If this is a material change report, enter the cumulative amount of payment made or planned to be made.
- 12. Check the appropriate box(es). Check all boxes that apply. If payment is made through an in-kind contribution, specify the nature and value of the in-kind payment.
- 13. Check the appropriate box(es). Check all boxes that apply. If other, specify nature.
- 14. Provide a specific and detailed description of the services that the lobbyist has performed, or will be expected to perform, and the date(s) of any services rendered. Include all preparatory and related activity, not just time spent in actual contact with Federal officials. Identify the Federal official(s) or employee(s) contacted or the officer(s), employee(s), or Member(s) of Congress that were contacted.
- 15. Check whether or not a SF-LLL-A Continuation Sheet(s) is attached.
- 16. The certifying official shall sign and date the form, print his/her name, title, and telephone number.

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 30 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0046), Washington, DC 20503

CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

CERTIFICATION FOR CONTRACTS, GRANTS, AND COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

- 1. No Federal appropriated-funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of congress, or an employee of a member of congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
- 2. If any funds other than Federal-appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of congress, an officer or employee of congress, or an employee of a member of congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying, in accordance with its instructions.
- 3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub-awards at all tiers (including sub-contracts, sub-grants, and contracts under grants, loans and cooperative agreements) and that all sub-recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

Ву

Date:

(Signature of Official (Executive Director)Authorized to Sign Application)

Date:

(Signature of Official (Chief Financial Officer) Authorized to Sign Application)

For

By

Name of Grantee

Title of Grant Program

Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion - Lower Tier Covered Transactions

This certification is required by the regulations implementing Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, 7 CFR Part 3017, Section 3017, subpart c- Responsibilities of Participants. The regulations were published in the November 26, 2003, <u>Federal Register (pages 66534-66566)</u>. Copies of the regulations may be obtained by contacting the Department of Agriculture.

(BEFORE COMPLETING CERTIFICATION, READ ATTACHED NSTRUCTIONS)

- (1) The prospective lower tier participant certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any Federal department or agency.
- (2) Where the prospective lower tier participant is unable to certify any of the statements in this certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

Organization Name

PR/Award Number or Project Name

Name and Title of Authorized Representative

Signature

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS FOR COMPLETING CERTIFICATION FORM

NOTE: Each responsive bidder must include this certification statement with it's bid on each contract equaling or exceeding \$25,000 or any contract for audit services regardless of amount.

- 1. By signing and submitting this form, the prospective lower tier participant is providing the certification set out on the reverse side in accordance with these instructions.
- 2. The certification in this clause is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective lower tier participant knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.
- 3. The prospective lower tier participant shall provide immediate written notice to the person to which this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective lower tier participant learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
- 4. The terms covered transaction, debarred, suspended, ineligible, lower tier covered transaction, participant, person, primary covered transaction, principal, proposal, and voluntarily excluded, as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of the U. S. Department of Agriculture regulations 7 CFR 3017 implementing Executive Order 12 549. (Contact the person to whom this proposal is submitted for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.)
- 5. The prospective lower tier participant agrees by submitting this form that, should the proposed covered transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any lower tier covered transaction with a person who is debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this covered transaction, unless authorized by the department or agency with which this transaction originated.
- 6. The prospective lower tier participant further agrees by submitting this form that it will include this clause titled "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion Lower Tier Covered Transaction" without modification in all lower tier covered transactions and in all solicitations for lower tier covered transactions.
- 7. A participant in a covered transaction may rely upon a certification that a prospective participant in a lower tier covered transaction has not been debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the covered transaction, unless the participant knows that the certification is erroneous. A participant may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each participant may, but is not required to, check the Nonprocurement List.
- 8. Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this clause. The knowledge and information of a participant is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.
- 9. Except for transactions authorized under Paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a participant in a covered transaction knowingly enters into a lower tier covered transaction with a person who is suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the department or agency with which this transaction originated may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.